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11 **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 23, 2006**

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20 This communication is responsive to the June 23, 2006 non-final Office
21 Action. The shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire September 23, 2006.